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1. THANK YOU FOR SUCH COMPLETE AND DETAILED PROGRAM. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS ON FOLLOWING BY IMMEDIATE CABLE SO WE CAN FINALIZE ALL ASPECTS OF SCHEDULE.

2. ARRIVAL: WE STRONGLY PREFER FOR SECURITY REASONS AND DESIRE TO HAVE SOME TIME TO DISCUSS CALL ON FINMIN CHAVAN TO CUT ARRIVAL CEREMONIES TO MINIMUM TIME CONSISTENT WITH GOI SENSITIVITIES. IN THIS RESPECT, WE HAVE ASSUMED DEPUTY SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL STATEMENT WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED ON ARRIVAL AND THAT HE WOULD NOT RPT NOT READ THE STATEMENT. (BASED ON EXPERIENCE IT IS DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE, TO CONVENE PRESS, READ A STATEMENT AND NOT HAVE IMPROMPTU PRESS CONFERENCE.) WE WISH TO CUT OUT PROPOSED VISIT TO " CEREMONIAL LOUNGE" ON ARRIVAL, DO THE NECESSARY AT PLANE SIDE, AND GET INTO WAITING CARS TO GO STRAIGHT TO ROOSEVELT HOUSE.

3. LUNCH ON FRIDAY: ARE WE CORRECT IN ASSUMING LUNCH AT RESIDENCE WOULD BE LIMITED TO OFFICIAL AMERICANS? IT SEEMS TO US THIS IS ONLY TIME FOR IN- HOUSE DISCUSSIONS PRIOR TO
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FULL AFTERNOON OF CALLS.

4. MEETING WITH MISSION STAFF MEMBERS ON SATURDAY: CONFIRM
IF THIS IS TO BE WITH SENIOR US STAFF, ALL US STAFF, OR ALL
US AND LOCAL STAFF. THIS IS YOUR OPTION OF COURSE.

5. WIVES SCHEDULE ON FRIDAY: SHOULD VISIT TO AGRA NOT BE
FEASIBLE, WE SUGGEST FOLLOWING:

10:25 GO TO RESIDENCE ON ARRIVAL.
11:00 VISIT TO RED FORT AND CHANDNI CHAUK.
1:00 P. M. LUNCH AT RESIDENCE.
3:00 P. M. VISIT TO COTTAGE INDUSTRIES WITH MRS. BERRY.
8:00 P. M. DINNER AT RESIDENCE.

6. WIVES SCHEDULE ON SATURDAY:

0945 ATTEND WREATH LAYING CEREMONY AT RAJ GHAT
0955 RETURN TO EMBASSY OR DRIVE THROUGH CITY, SHOPPING.

7. NEW SUBJECT: WOULD APPRECIATE FULL TEXT IMMEDIATE OF WARREN
UNNA ARTICLE IN STATESMAN REFERRED TO IN MADRAS 358.
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